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# Towards Enabling Exascale Simulation:

## SLAC CS/AM Activities for Parallel Finite-Element Electromagnetic Computations

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# The Role of Computational Science

## SciDAC Accelerator Projects

Solve the most  
challenging  
**computational** problems  
in accelerator design,  
optimization  
and analysis

CS/AM advances  
supported by CETs  
and SAP enable  
**better and bigger**  
simulation

LHC/LARP, Project-X,  
SuperB, ILC, LCLS, PEP-X,  
CLIC, Muon Collider,  
SRF cavities,  
High-gradient R&D

Linear solver, Eigensolver  
Shape optimization  
Uncertainty quantification  
Adaptive refinement  
Dynamic load balancing  
Visualization

Accelerator Science & Development

Computational Science



# Overview

- ❑ Uncertainty Quantification of Cavity Shape (TOPS)
  - CEBAF superconducting cavity
- ❑ Shape Optimization for Accelerating Cavity (TOPS)
  - Choke cavity for high-gradient concept
- ❑ Parallel Domain Specific Linear Solvers (TOPS, CScADS)
  - Linear solvers for saddle-point problems
  - Scalable multilevel preconditioner
  - Out-of-core sparse linear solver
- ❑ Novel Algorithms for Solving Large-scale Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problems (NEP) (TOPS, UCDavis)
- ❑ Parallel Adaptive Refinement (ITAPS)
- ❑ Dynamic Load Balancing (CSCAPES, ITAPS)
- ❑ Visualization (IUSV)



**Each item can be expanded to a full talk!**

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# Uncertainty Quantification of Accelerator Cavity Shape



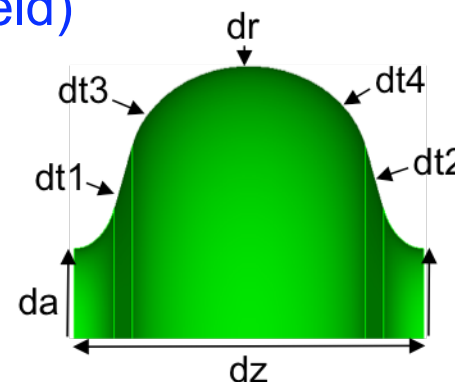


# Uncertainty Quantification (UQ) of Cavity Shape

Solve an **inverse problem** to determine the **deformed cavity shape**

- ❑ Use measured rf parameters such as  $f$ ,  $Q_{\text{ext}}$ , and field profile as inputs
- ❑ Parameterize shape deviations using pre-defined geometry variations
- ❑ Objective (function  $J$ ) - minimize weighted least square misfit of the computed and measured responses ( $f$ ,  $Q_{\text{ext}}$  and field)

$$\begin{aligned} &\underset{\mathbf{e}_j, k_j, \mathbf{d}}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_i \alpha (f_i - \bar{f}_i)^2 + \sum_i \beta (Q_i - \bar{Q}_i)^2 \\ &\text{subject to} && \mathbf{K} \mathbf{e}_j + i k_j \mathbf{W} \mathbf{e}_j - k_j^2 \mathbf{M} \mathbf{e}_j = 0 \\ &&& \mathbf{e}_j^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{e}_j = 1 \end{aligned}$$

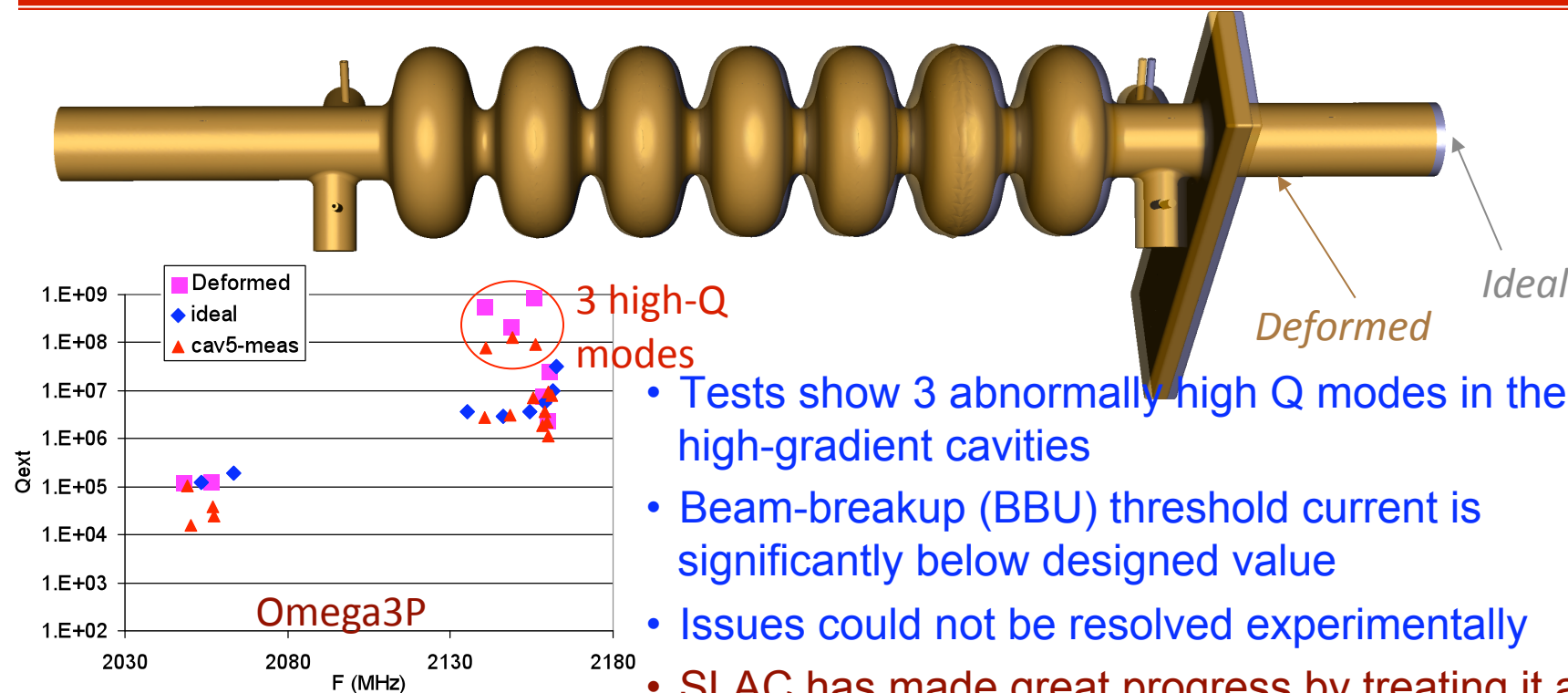


- ❑ Regularization or truncated SVD employed to deal with noisy data
- ❑ The optimization procedure typically converges within a handful of nonlinear iterations with Newton type algorithms

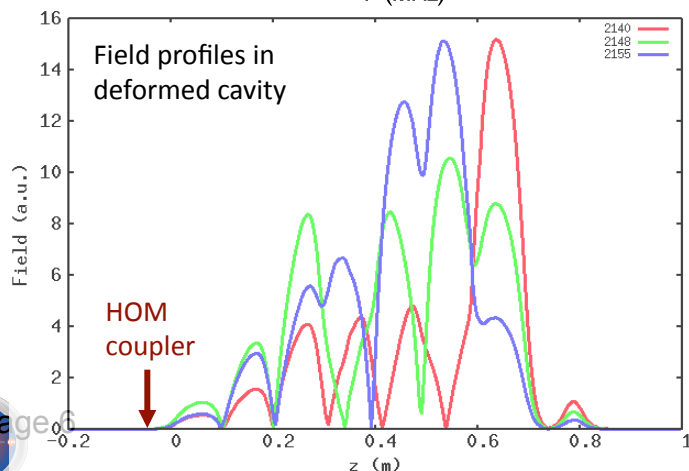
Ref: V. Akcelik et al., “Shape Determination for Deformed Electromagnetic Cavities”, J. Comput. Phys., **227**, 1722 (2008).



# UQ for CEBAF BBU: Simulation & Analysis



- Tests show 3 abnormally high Q modes in the high-gradient cavities
- Beam-breakup (BBU) threshold current is significantly below designed value
- Issues could not be resolved experimentally
- SLAC has made great progress by treating it as an inverse problem
- Identified the main cause of the BBU instability: **Cavity is 8 mm shorter** – this is confirmed later from measurements
- Success requires **a multidisciplinary effort** in accelerator modeling, computational science and RF measurements



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# Shape Optimization for Cavity Design



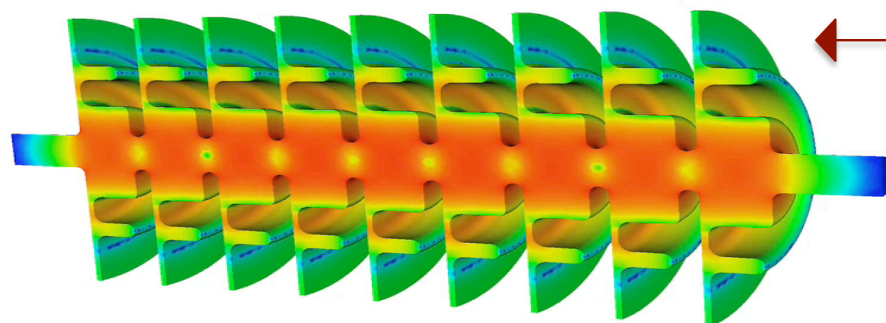
# Design of Choke Cavity

## Design goals:

- ☐ Set accelerating mode frequency to 11.424 GHz.
- ☐ Satisfy field flatness for the accelerating mode.
- ☐ Maximize external Q for the accelerating mode.
- ☐ Minimize external Q value for the higher order modes (HOM).
- ☐ Constrain the voltage for the accelerating mode.

## Shape parameters:

- ☐ Design variables are CAD parameters.
- ☐ 21 design parameters, 7 middle cells need to be identical.
- ☐ Design parameters have simple bounds.



Example of non-optimized cavity: accelerating mode leaks through choke



# Shape Optimization for Choke Cavity

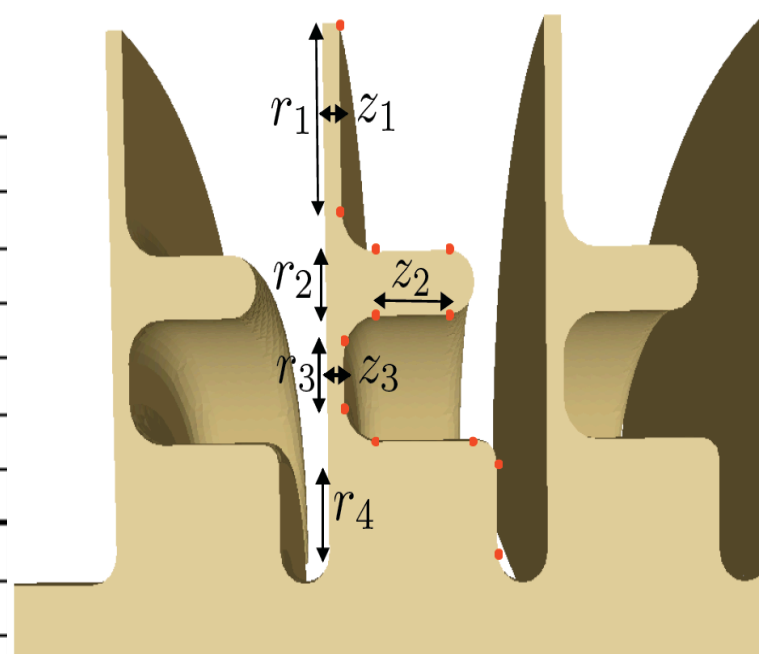
## Optimization Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{e}_j, k_j, \mathbf{d}}{\text{minimize}} && -\beta Q_a + \alpha \sum Q_{HOM} + \gamma \sum_{j=1}^9 (|\mathbf{e}(\mathbf{x}_i) - |\bar{\mathbf{e}}||)^2 - \delta V_a \\ & \text{subject to} && \mathbf{K}\mathbf{e}_j + ik_j \mathbf{W}\mathbf{e}_j - k_j^2 \mathbf{M}\mathbf{e}_j = 0 \\ & && \mathbf{e}_j^T \mathbf{M}\mathbf{e}_j = 1 \\ & && f_a = 11.424 \text{e}9 \\ & && l_i \leq d_i \leq u_i \end{aligned}$$

## Resulting Shape:

Optimized parameters in $\mu\text{m}$						
Cell 1						
r1	r2	r3	r4	z1	z2	z3
117.3	-727.7	-74.9	-27.34	349	186.1	743.9
Cell 2-8						
r1	r2	r3	r4	z1	z2	z3
604.5	-1754.8	1178.1	-135.3	1800	651.5	36.1
Cell 9						
r1	r2	r3	r4	z1	z2	z3
15.6	-238.4	-42.7	32.3	744	96.2	-347.5

## Design Parameters



# Movie for Choke Cavity Design

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Choke Cavity Model



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# Domain Specific Scalable Linear Solver



# Linear Solver for Saddle-point Problems

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- Solving linear systems from Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) condition is one of the keys in solving shape optimization and uncertainty quantification

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{K} - \lambda \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v} \\ (\mathbf{M}\mathbf{v})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{t} \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

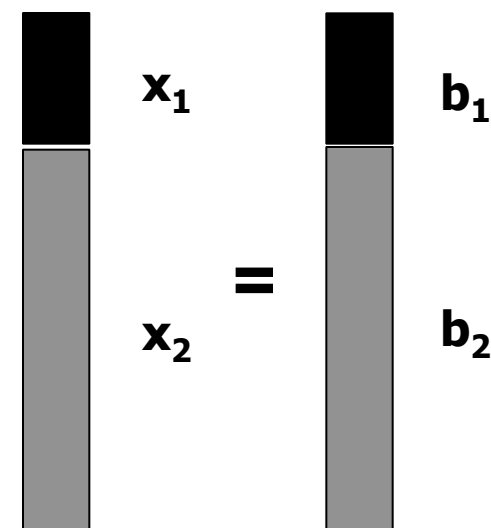
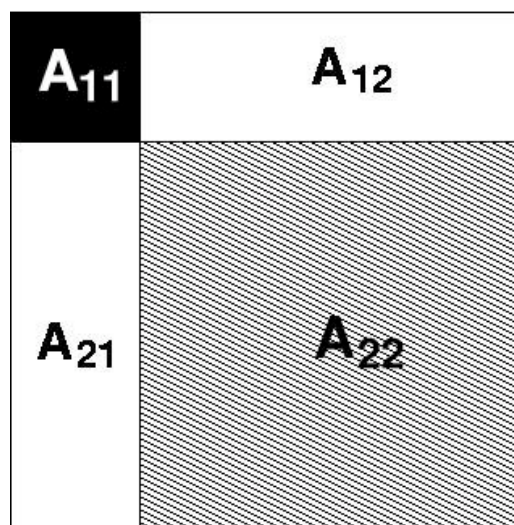
- It is highly indefinite – both (1,1) and (2,2) block are singular:  $(\lambda, \mathbf{v})$  satisfies  $\mathbf{K}\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}$
- Direct algorithm
  - A sparse direct solver is applied to (0,0) block
  - Null space is removed through orthogonalization
- Iterative algorithm for  $(\mathbf{K} - \lambda\mathbf{M}) \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{b} - \xi \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}$ 
  - Remove null space from solution of preconditioning system





# Multilevel Preconditioner

- Matrices from high-order finite-element simulation can be partitioned into two-by-two blocks
- A multilevel preconditioner:  $A_{11}$  can be factorized while  $A_{22}$  can be approximated (IPDPS05 and CSE07)
- Advantage: convergence is independent of mesh size
- Problem:  $A_{11}$  is too small and scalability of factorization and triangular solver are bad
- Solution:  
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# Scalable Implementation of Multilevel Preconditioner

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21}\mathbf{A}_{11}^{-1} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_{22} - \mathbf{A}_{21}\mathbf{A}_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{12} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{A}_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}$$

## New Implementation highlights:

- $\mathbf{A}_{11}$  is factorized and solved with a subset of MPI processors with threading
  - Triangular solver of factorized  $\mathbf{A}_{11}$  uses much less wall clock time!
- $\mathbf{A}_{22}$  is approximated with incomplete LU factorization with all processors
- Coupling terms makes solver converges faster

## More scalable solver:

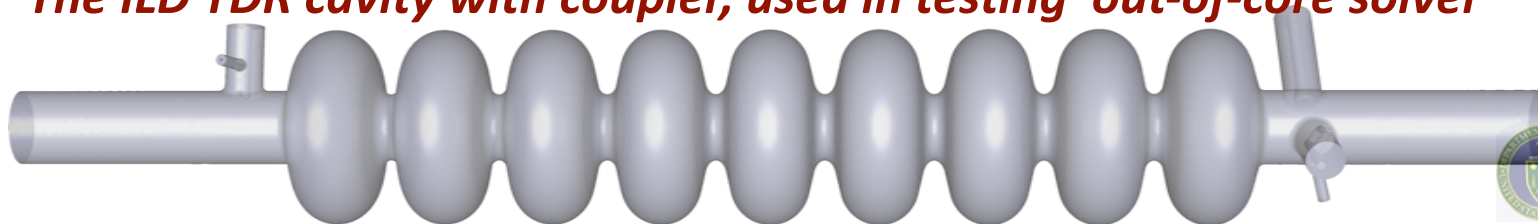
- Speed: much less overall wall clock time
- Memory usage: problems cannot be solved on NERSC bassi (per-node memory 32GB) before can be solved on NERSC franklin (per-node memory 8GB) now



# Exploring Out-of-Core Solver

- ❑ Available amount of memory limits us to use sparse direct solver for larger problem-size
- ❑ Out-of-core techniques save the matrix factor into disk and use it in triangular solver
- ❑ MUMPS out-of-core solver has been integrated into Omega3P
- ❑ Example: Solving ILC TDR cavity with couplers for first monopole bands
  - 531k tetrahedral elements, 2<sup>nd</sup> order finite element bases, 3.1 million DOFs, 4 cores AMD Opteron Processor, 6 hours wall clock time
  - As a comparison, same problem, on NERSC bassi with 64 CPUs and 256GB memory, 10 minutes
  - Out-of-core solver will solve larger problem-size by using disk space as temporary memory, but it trades off the execution time

***The ILD TDR cavity with coupler, used in testing out-of-core solver***



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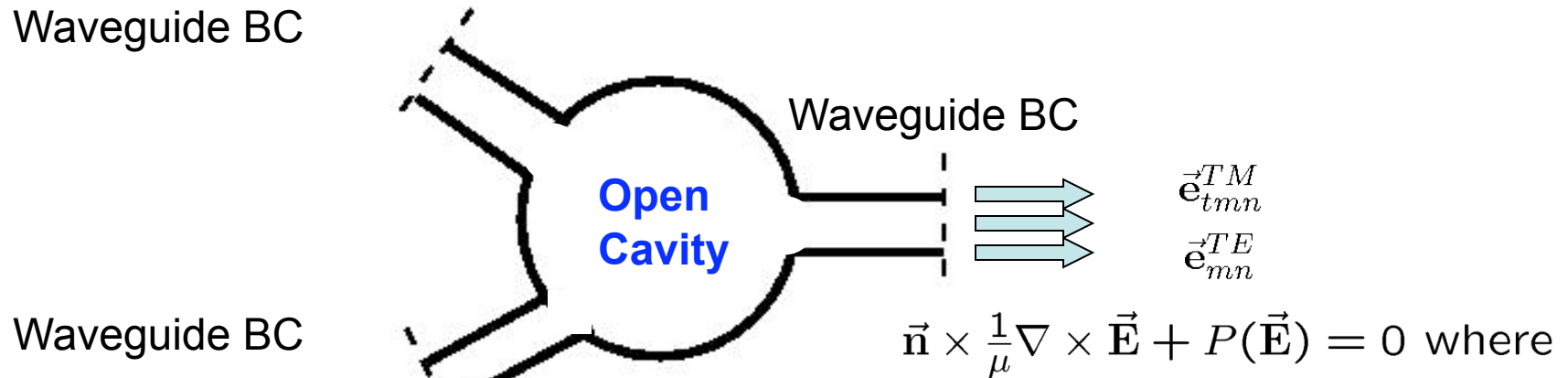
# Novel Algorithm for Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problems



# Nonlinear Eigenvalue Problems (NEP) in Accelerator Cavity Simulation

## Cavity loaded with multiple waveguide modes

Waveguide BC



Waveguide BC

$$P(\vec{E}) = \sum_m \sum_n \frac{k^2}{i\sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2}} \vec{e}_{tmn}^{TM} \int_{\Gamma} \vec{e}_{tmn}^{TM} \cdot \vec{E} d\Gamma - \sum_m \sum_n i\sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2} \vec{e}_{mn}^{TE} \int_{\Gamma} \vec{e}_{mn}^{TE} \cdot \vec{E} d\Gamma$$

- Vector wave equation with waveguide boundary conditions can be modeled by a nonlinear eigenvalue problem

$$\mathbf{K}x + i \sum_{m,n} \sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2} \mathbf{W}_{mn}^{TE} x + i \sum_{m,n} \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2}} \mathbf{W}_{mn}^{TM} x = k^2 \mathbf{M}x$$

where

$$(\mathbf{W}_{mn}^{TE})_{ij} = \int_{\Gamma} \vec{e}_{mn}^{TE} \cdot \mathbf{N}_i d\Gamma \int_{\Gamma} \vec{e}_{mn}^{TE} \cdot \mathbf{N}_j d\Gamma$$

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# Novel Algorithm for NEP

$$\mathbf{K}x + i \sum_{m,n} \sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2} \mathbf{W}_{mn}^{TE} x + i \sum_{m,n} \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{k^2 - k_{mn}^2}} \mathbf{W}_{mn}^{TM} x = k^2 \mathbf{M}x$$

- ❑ Nonlinear Jacobi-Davidson algorithm and Self-Consistent Iterations are two primary algorithms for NEP
  - Eigenvectors are not orthogonal
- ❑ New algorithm developed by Z. Bai (UC Davis) and LBL scientists (TOPS)
  - Algorithm description
    - ✓ Padé approximation for nonlinear terms
    - ✓ NEP becomes rational eigenvalue problems (REP)
    - ✓ Solve linearized REP
  - Advantage
    - ✓ Many existing algorithms for linear eigenvalue problems (LEP)
    - ✓ The size of LEP is only slightly larger than that of NEP
    - ✓ Much faster overall execution time in preliminary testing



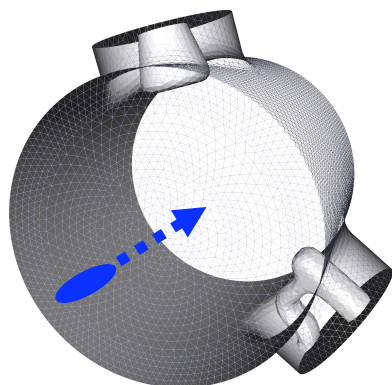
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# Parallel Adaptive Refinement for Time-Domain Finite-Element Simulation



# P-refinement for Short-range Wakefield

## ILC short-range wakefield simulation



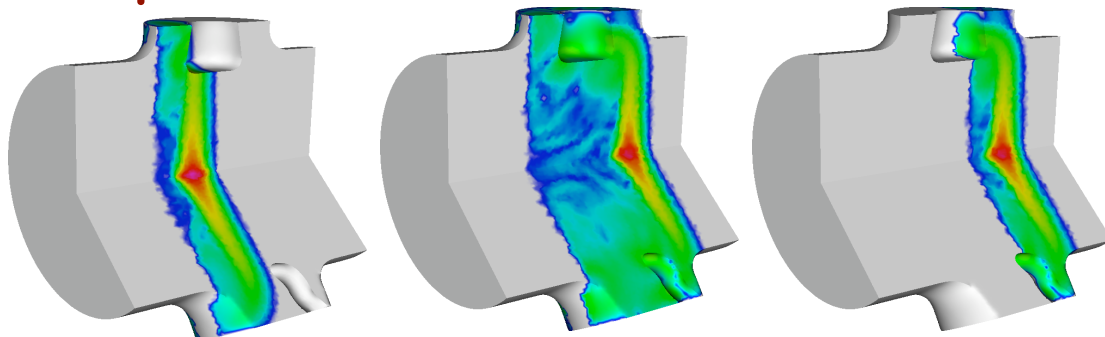
- ☐ Beam size  $\sim 300$  micron
- ☐ Beam pipe radius: 39 mm
- ☐ Estimated  $> 100$  million tetrahedral elements just for coupler!



## Moving window with p-refinement

- ☐ Inside window:  $p > 0$
- ☐ Outside window:  $p = 0$
- ☐ Significantly reduces execution time and memory usage

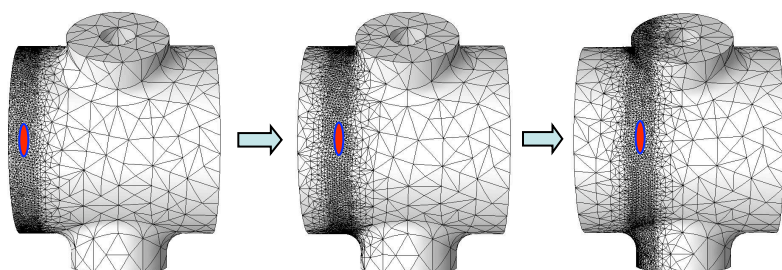
## Snapshots of fields in wakefield calculation



- ☐ 800 micron beam size
- ☐ 400 micron edge length
- ☐ 13 million elements
- ☐ 5 windows in the run
- ☐ 1/10th of execution time
- ☐ 1/10th of memory usage

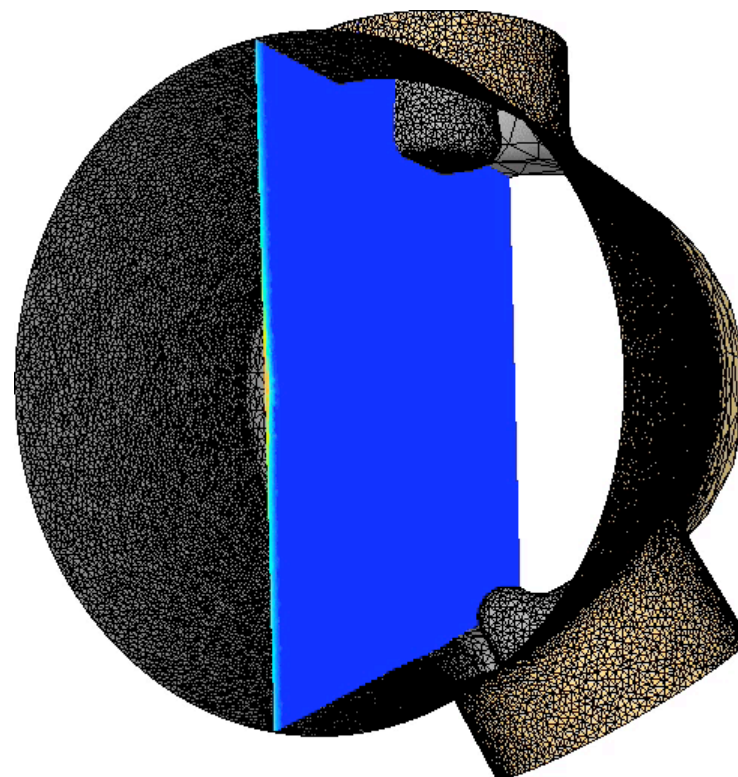


# h-refinement for Short-range Wakefield



## h-refined moving window

- Refined mesh only around moving beam, thereby
- reducing computational resources by orders of magnitude



Ref: X. Luo, M. Shephard, L.-Q. Lee, C. Ng, L. Ge, "Tracking Adaptive Mesh Refinement in 3D Curved Domains for Large-Scale Higher-Order Finite-Element Simulations", **Best Meshing Technical Poster Award** at the 17<sup>th</sup> International Meshing Roundtable, Pittsburgh, Oct. 12-15, 2008.

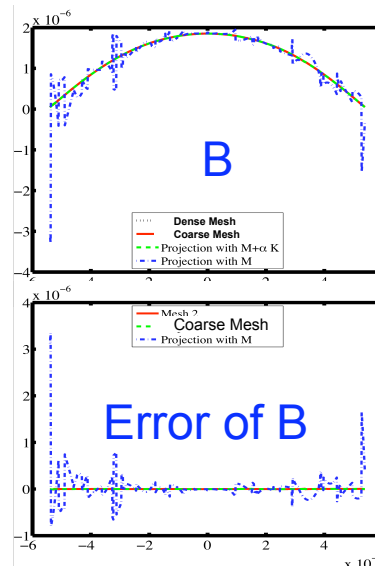
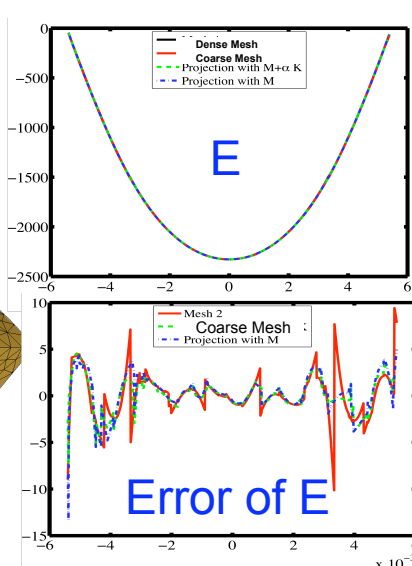
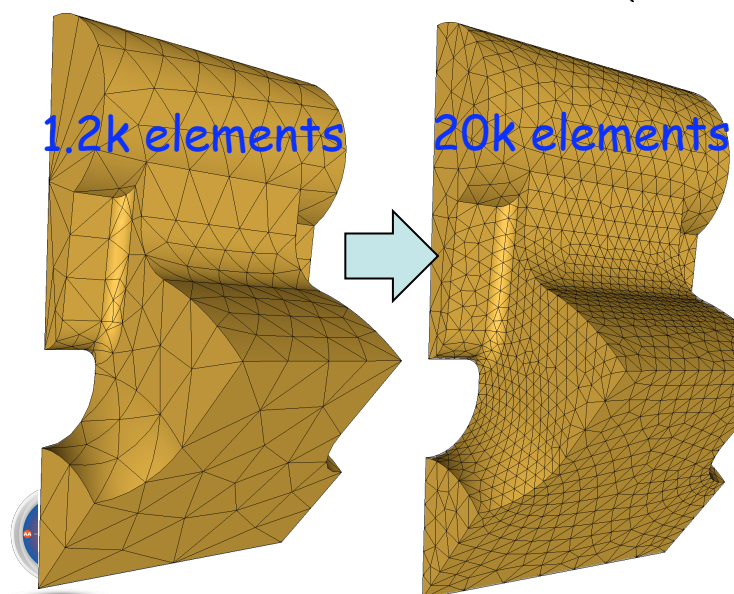


# Solution Transfer between Different Meshes

- Discretized electromagnetic fields need to be transferred between different unstructured meshes (h-refinement, mesh-based multi-level preconditioner)
- A new projection method is discovered:

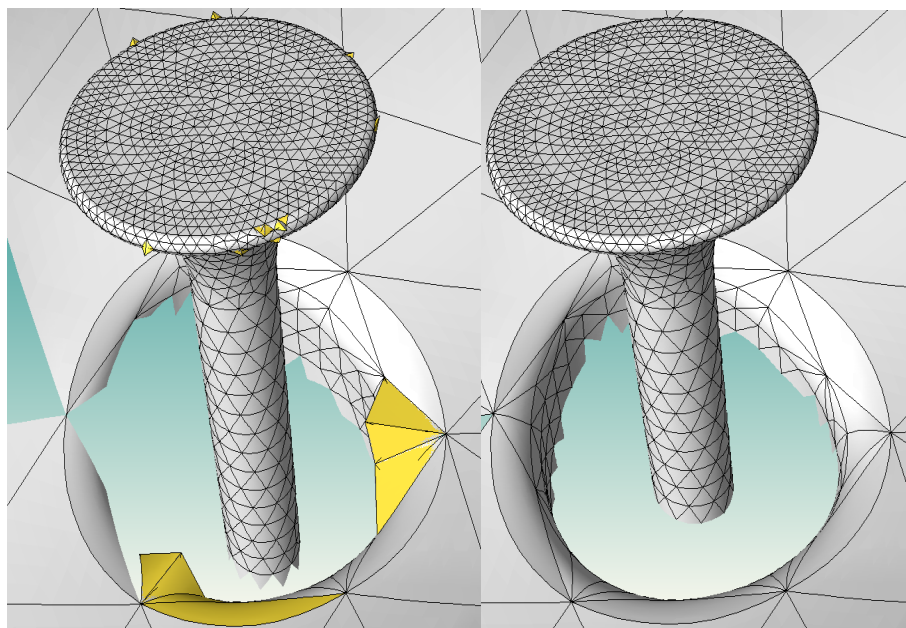
$$(\mathbf{M} + \alpha \mathbf{K}) \mathbf{x}^b = \left( \vec{\mathbf{N}}_j^b, \varepsilon \sum_i x_i^a \vec{\mathbf{N}}_i^a \right) + \alpha \left( \nabla \times \vec{\mathbf{N}}_j^b, \frac{1}{\mu} \sum_i x_i^a \nabla \times \vec{\mathbf{N}}_i^a \right)$$

where  $\mathbf{M}_{ij} = \left( \varepsilon \vec{\mathbf{N}}_i, \vec{\mathbf{N}}_j \right)$  and  $\mathbf{K}_{ij} = \left( \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \vec{\mathbf{N}}_i, \nabla \times \vec{\mathbf{N}}_j \right)$



- Balance errors of both E and B
- Keep the quality of the solution

# Mesh Curving Correction



- RPI scientists create a tool
- Corrected mesh cures numerical instability in T3P
- Reduces T3P simulation time drastically
- More in Mark Shephard's presentation later

Regions with invalidly curved elements

The same region after mesh curving correction

**Also See:** Presentation of Walter Polansky, "Scientific Discovery Through Advanced Computing and the Path Toward Computing at Extreme Scale", 2008

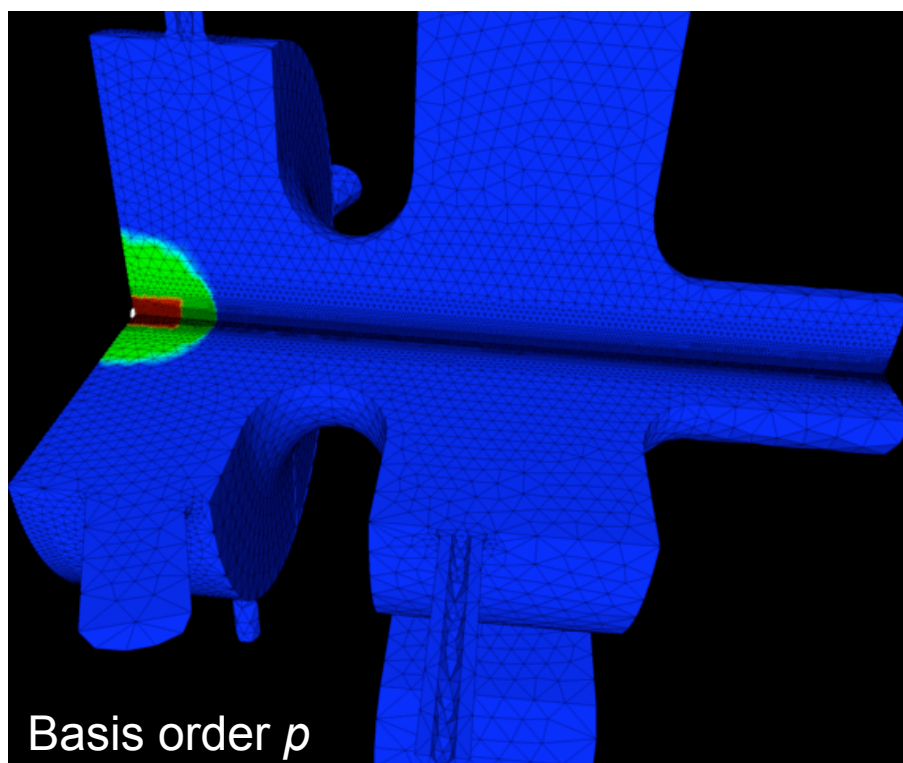


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# Dynamic Load Balancing for PIC Electromagnetic Simulation

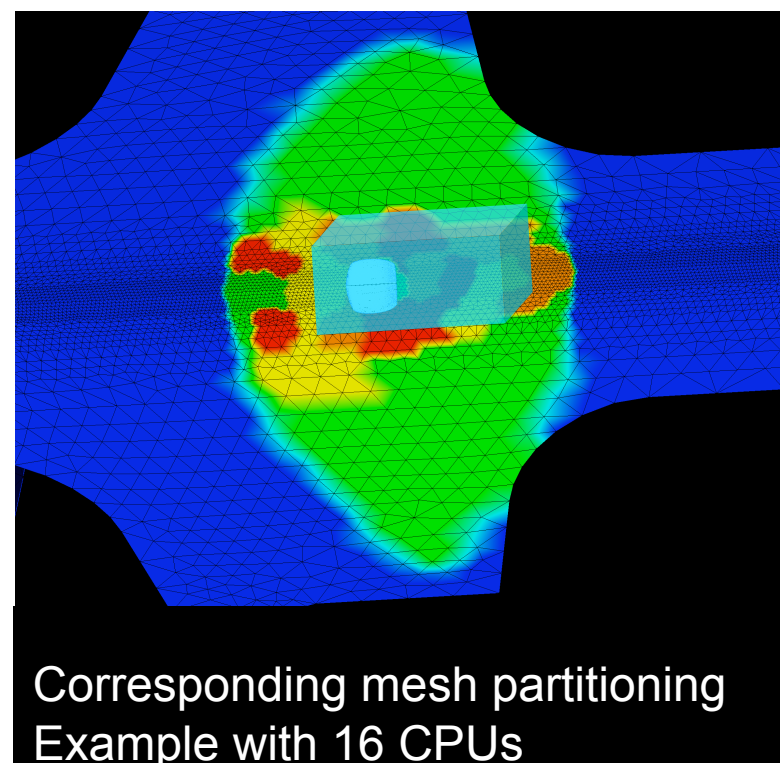


# Causal Adaptive $p$ -refinement for PIC3P



Blue: 0<sup>th</sup> order    Green: 1<sup>st</sup> order    Red: 2<sup>nd</sup> order

Restrict calculations onto causal domain:  
0<sup>th</sup> order means no field calculations...  
But particles don't notice any difference!



PIC Domain now significant part of  
total computational domain:

**Need a good particle-field load  
balancing scheme**





# New Load Balancing Method



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## Requirements:

- Strong scalability (same problem runs faster with more CPUs)
- Weak scalability (can solve larger problem with more CPUs)
- Should work near optimal for any particle distribution
- Small overhead for typical cases

## Proposed Solution (implementing now):



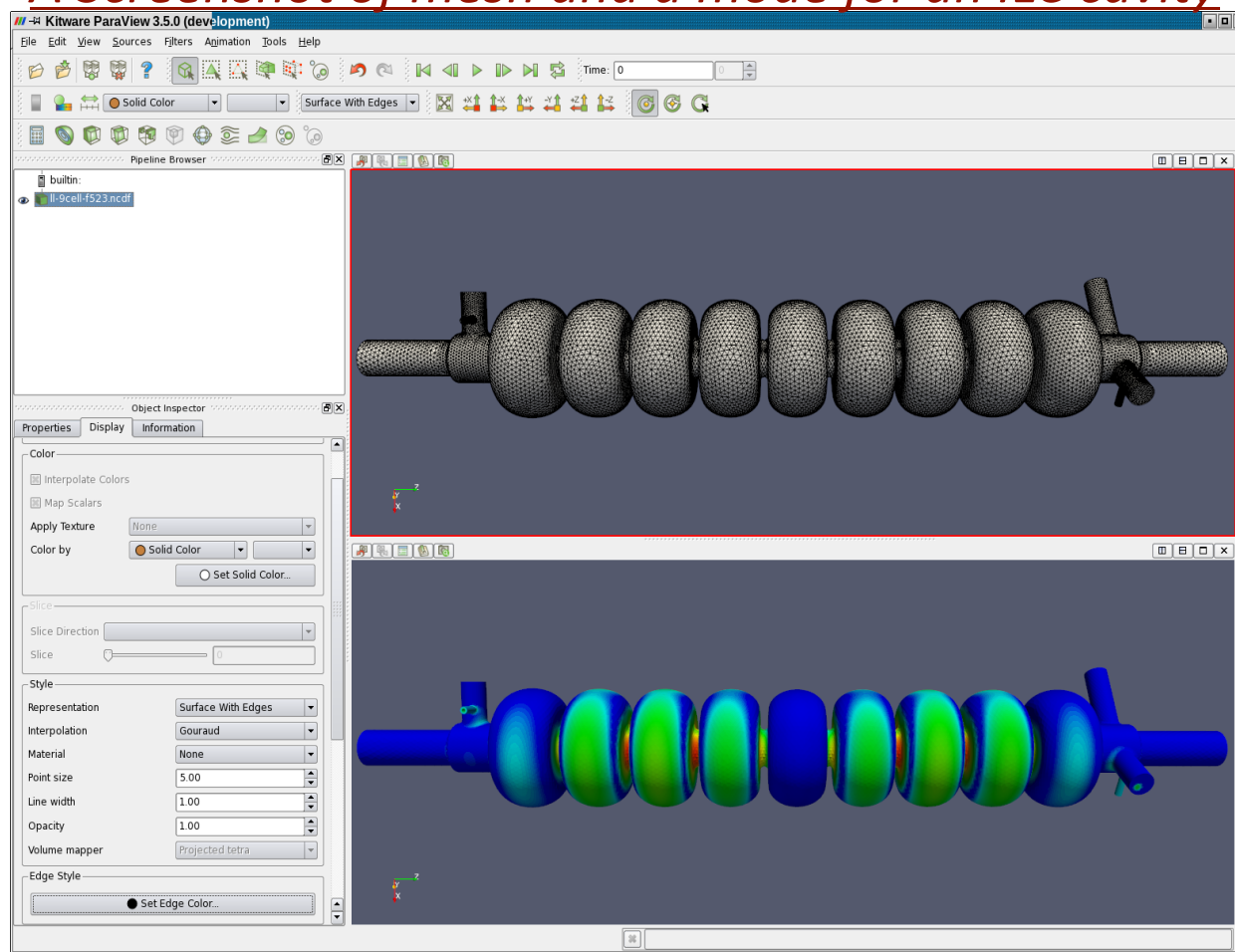
- Partition particles (and fields) geometrically (RCB)
- Every CPU owns a compact sub-bunch of particles 
- Every CPU needs fields in particle region 
- Every CPU knows whom to get the fields from (and send current to)
- Some-to-some communication (instead of some-to-one-to-all)
- Re-partitioning after every few steps to keep comm. volume low



# Parallel Visualization

- ❑ SLAC was not funded with parallel visualization through SAP activity
- ❑ Parallel visualization is essential to accelerator modeling (25GB per mode for cryomodule, 5.5TB data for 40ns)
- ❑ Mesh and mode readers for Paraview (a parallel viz toolset) have been implemented

## *A Screenshot of mesh and a mode for an ILC cavity*



# New Collaboration Opportunities

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- ❑ Including CAD and mesh smoothing in shape optimization and uncertainty quantification
- ❑ Including CAD into mesh curving tool
- ❑ Multiphysics and multiscale simulation
  - Anisotropic mesh
- ❑ Performance optimization and improvement
- ❑ Memory-usage scalability of all the computational components in FEM simulation





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# Thank You

